

While this was doing, I was not altogether careless of my other affairs ; for I had a great concern upon me for my little herd of goats : they were not only a present supply to me upon every occasion, and began to be sufficient for me, without the expense of powder and shot, but also abated the fatigue of my hunting after the wild ones ; and I was loth to lose the advantage of them, and to have them all to nurse up over again,

For this purpose, after long consideration, I could think of but two ways to preserve them: one was to find another convenient place to dig a cave underground, and to drive them into it every night; and the 'other was to enclose two or three little bits of land, remote from one another, and as

much
concealed as I could, where I might
'keep
half-a-dozen young goats In each
place; so
that if any disaster happened to the
flock in
general, I might be able to raise
them again